

JOURNAL EVIDENCE DEPENDED UPON TO CONVICT NACK AND THORN.

DISTRICT ATTORNEY WILLIAM J. YOUNGS, of Queens County, intends to avail himself in the prosecution of Martin Thorn and Mrs. Nack of all the valuable evidence against them procured by the Journal. Much of it will be furnished by the Journal reporters who did the actual work of running down the murderers of William Goldensuppe.

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The Journal's exclusives are invaluable to me in preparing the case against Mrs. Nack and Thorn.—DISTRICT ATTORNEY YOUNGS, OF QUEENS COUNTY.

District Attorney Youngs was a busy man yesterday. He was getting ready his evidence against the alleged murderers of William Goldensuppe. From copies of the Journal he made extensive clippings and expressed his indebtedness to the paper that had furnished him with evidence which would otherwise never have been obtained. He was particularly pleased when he came to the statement of Professor H. T. Galpin, published over the latter's own signature in the Journal, concerning his analysis of sediment taken from the drain pipe of the Woodside cottage. That analysis showed the presence of mammal blood; also Professor Galpin's analysis of the blood-stained chips from the floor of the bathroom.

men have furnished. Mr. Youngs has decided also to call Professor H. T. Galpin, the analytical expert engaged by the Journal to make an analysis of the drainings and sediment found in the waste pipe leading from the Woodside cottage and of blood spots on the woodwork. The waste pipe runs from the sinks and bathtub to a ditch in front of the house.

It was in this ditch that Witness Wahle, the Woodside lampfitter, observed blood, which he found came from the mouth of the uncovered drain pipe. Several days elapsed before Wahle made known that he had discovered blood in the ditch, and finally, when the authorities began their investigations, all visible traces of blood had disappeared.

As Always, the Journal Aided. While the police were regretting the loss of this valuable evidence the Journal engaged the services of Professor Galpin. With a Journal reporter he went to Woodside. The Journal men unearthed the drain pipe and obtained scrapings and sediment which were handed over to the analyst. Shavings from the blood-stained flooring of the bathroom were also obtained by the Journal men, and these, with the drainings from the waste pipe, were carefully sealed and carried to Professor Galpin's laboratory. He subjected the specimens to careful analysis, and at midnight he informed the Journal that not only had he discovered the presence of mammal blood in the drainings taken from the waste pipe, but that unmistakable signs of human blood were to be found on the shavings removed from the bathroom floor.

Professor Galpin's report, in his own handwriting, was reproduced in fac-simile in the Journal. This report and the professor's own testimony will play an important part in the trial.

Impressed with the Evidence. District Attorney Youngs is much impressed with the value of the evidence which Professor Galpin can give. Yesterday he sent Assistant District Attorney Davidson to call upon Professor Galpin and make arrangements for his appearance for the prosecution.

Neither the authorities of New York nor Queens County could in showing that traces of blood existed in the drain pipe of the Woodside cottage. At this late date Professor Galpin says it would be practically impossible to determine the presence of blood therein. He, therefore, is the only witness who can establish this important fact.

Assistant District Attorney Rosalsky, of Mr. Olcott's staff, remained in consultation with District Attorney Youngs several hours yesterday. With Mr. Davidson, all the evidence to be presented in the coming trial was reviewed and a plan mapped out for its presentation. Mr. Rosalsky, as well as Mr. Youngs, was enthusiastic regarding the evidence to be furnished by Professor Galpin.

Lawyer Joseph Moss, of Howe & Hummel's office, called at the Queens County Jail yesterday afternoon and visited Martin Thorn. Thorn expressed pleasure at seeing the lawyer, and talked freely about his trial, which will begin on Monday.

Mr. Moss, leaving the jail said: "The object of my visit to Thorn was to question him with regard to certain facts to be used in the preparation of the defence. We are losing no time as we intend to go ahead with the trial on Monday."

Nack Confession Lie Nailed. The story printed in another newspaper yesterday morning that Mrs. Nack, through her counsel, Emanuel M. Friend, of Friend,

be first to turn State's evidence.

Total Basis of the Tale. Part of the false story in the paper in question were following interviews, the one with Lawyer Friend, the other with District Attorney Youngs.

"I have seen Mr. Friend," said Mr. Youngs yesterday, "but I cannot tell what we were talking about."

"I must decline to say anything about my visit to District Attorney Youngs," said Lawyer Friend.

This was the substance out of which was woven the tissue of lies.

The story is denied absolutely by Mr. Youngs and by Lawyers Howe and Friend.

Denied by Mr. Youngs. "Never at any time," said the District Attorney, "has Mrs. Nack directly or through her counsel, offered to confess on condition that she be allowed to plead guilty to manslaughter. There is absolutely no truth in the story."

"Although I am quoted as having talked on the subject, the Journal may say for me that I never spoke to a newspaper man regarding it or upon any subject like it. Furthermore, I did not meet nor converse yesterday with any representative of the paper which published the tale."

"The only time that I ever discussed the likelihood of a confession coming either from Thorn or Mrs. Nack was weeks ago, when it was decided to try the case in this county. Then I said that the evidence furnished by the Journal was impregnable, and added that if Thorn or Mrs. Nack decided to make a confession it would have to come long before their trial, else they would receive no consideration."

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Horse & Grossman, had made an offer to Menker to help him. The offer was put on trial for the murder of William Goldensuppe.

The Lawyers, Too, Deny. Mr. Friend was seen at his office yesterday afternoon. When he emerged from the door he smiled at the Journal man, whom he knew, and threw up his hands like a man who had been robbed.

"The story is false from beginning to end," he said. "There is not a word of truth in it. Mrs. Nack has not spoken to me on this subject. She has never since her incarceration authorized me to make any plea whatever for her, except, of course, and tacitly, the plea of not guilty. Where the paper got the story I don't know. It could not come from any one but me, and I pronounce it absolutely false. I am not authorized to make any offer of confession for Mrs. Nack, and I have never made it. I have positively had no conference with District Attorney Youngs on the subject, and any statement to that effect is likewise untrue."

The paper also stated that Mr. Youngs had said to Mr. Friend that if Mrs. Nack would tell where Thorn had hidden Goldensuppe's head—said that would make the conviction of Thorn certain—he (the District Attorney) would advise the Judge to accept the plea of manslaughter. Mr.

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